

House File 106 - Introduced

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the allocation of fund proceeds of the Iowa
2 resources enhancement and protection fund, and requiring a
3 report to the general assembly.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 455A.19, subsection 1, paragraph a,
2 subparagraph (1), Code 2017, is amended to read as follows:

3 (1) ~~Twenty-eight~~ Nine percent shall be allocated to the open
4 spaces account. At least ten percent of the allocations to
5 the account shall be made available to match private funds for
6 open space projects on the cost-share basis of not less than
7 twenty-five percent private funds pursuant to the rules adopted
8 by the natural resource commission. Five percent of the funds
9 allocated to the open spaces account shall be used to fund the
10 protected waters program. This account shall be used by the
11 department to implement the statewide open space acquisition,
12 protection, and development programs.

13 Sec. 2. Section 455A.19, subsection 1, paragraph e, Code
14 2017, is amended to read as follows:

15 e. ~~Nine~~ Twenty-eight percent shall be allocated to the
16 state land management account. The department shall use the
17 moneys allocated to this account for maintenance and expansion
18 of state lands and related facilities under its jurisdiction.
19 The authority to expand state lands and facilities under this
20 paragraph is limited to expansion of the state lands and
21 facilities already owned by the state. There is appropriated
22 from the state land management account to the department the
23 moneys in that account, or so much thereof as is necessary,
24 to implement a maintenance and expansion program for state
25 lands and related facilities under the jurisdiction of the
26 department.

27 Sec. 3. IOWA RESOURCES ENHANCEMENT AND PROTECTION FUND
28 — OPEN SPACES ACCOUNT REPORT. The department of natural
29 resources shall prepare a report that itemizes the properties
30 that have been acquired to implement the statewide open
31 spaces acquisition program with funds allocated to the open
32 spaces account, including all such properties acquired from
33 the inception of the open spaces account through June 30,
34 2017. The report shall include the location of the properties
35 acquired, from whom the properties were acquired, the date of

1 acquisition, and the amount of funding from the open spaces
2 account that was used to make the acquisition. The department
3 shall deliver the report to the secretary of the senate and
4 chief clerk of the house of representatives no later than
5 December 31, 2017.

6 EXPLANATION

7 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
8 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

9 This bill relates to the allocation of fund proceeds to
10 accounts within the Iowa resources enhancement and protection
11 (REAP) fund, and requires a report to the general assembly.

12 The bill provides that the current allocation of 28 percent
13 of REAP fund moneys to the open spaces account be reduced to 9
14 percent and the current allocation of 9 percent of REAP fund
15 moneys to the state land management account be increased to 28
16 percent.

17 The bill also requires the department of natural resources
18 to prepare a report that itemizes the properties that have been
19 acquired to implement the statewide open space acquisition
20 program with funds allocated to the open spaces account,
21 including all such properties acquired from the inception of
22 the open spaces account through June 30, 2017. The report
23 shall include the location of the properties acquired, from
24 whom the properties were acquired, the date of acquisition, and
25 the amount of funding from the open spaces account that was
26 used to make the acquisition. The report must be delivered to
27 the secretary of the senate and the chief clerk of the house no
28 later than December 31, 2017.